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Hardwood Door & Bevel's 30,000 square foot facility in Auburn Hills includes a showroom offering a fascinating array of styles, materials and custom designs that serve as a starting point for the builder or their client. Photograph © Carlson Productions, LLC.

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The entryway is the hearth of the home. It invites, welcomes and frames the passage to the interior spaces. Builders and architects have long recognized the importance of creating a memorable, distinctive entry system for the home, and for nearly thirty years, Hardwood Door & Bevel has served as the expert exterior and interior door

resource for building professionals throughout the Midwest.

"We import, pre-hang, finish and install the tremendous array of door products we offer," notes Craig Yosin, founder of Hardwood Door & Bevel. "We also manufacture the glass products for those doors. There is no other company in this region like ours. We also offer imagina-

tion and help the client achieve their vision in a door, stained or beveled glass system. Because we fabricate the glass, we can typically create a one-of-a-kind design for the client at or near the cost of a standard glass package."

The catalyst for Hardwood Door & Bevel began in 1973, when Craig Yosin was inspired to pursue a career as a stain



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glass fabricator. He taught himself the craft and formed Adventure Art Glass, Inc. in 1977, opening a 3,000 square foot facility in Sterling Heights two years later. At that time, the stain glass industry was growing phenomenally, and Craig began teaching the trade, quickly becoming one of the largest purchasers of stained glass supplies in the Midwest.

Craig states, "So I created, *Adventure Art Glass*, a leading art glass supply catalog, which my sister continues to publish today. I also discovered Caoba Doors, a Guatemalan-based door manufacturer that continues to supply our genuine Honduras Mahogany, Northern Red Oak, Northern Cherry, American White Maple and Knotty

Alder solid wood doors. That led to the founding of Hardwood Door & Bevel, combining expertise in custom glasswork and a high quality, extremely diverse range of standard and custom exterior and interior door products."

Today, Hardwood Door & Bevel is located in a 30,000 square foot showroom and manufacturing facility off



The staging area at Hardwood Door & Bevel demonstrates the extraordinary range of door product the company fabricates. While the value Hardwood Door & Bevel provides is exceptional, the quality of their product and workmanship truly opens a new door into a world of unlimited possibilities in door design. Photograph © Carlson Productions, LLC.

Opdyke Road in Auburn Hills. In addition to entry and interior door systems, the company offers an impressive selection of Baldwin and Rocky Mountain Hardware (installed at no extra charge), custom mantels and fireplace surrounds, as well as interior trim and hardwood flooring. The staff is dedicated to providing top-notch service to their builder and architect clients. Among those services is a unique, easy to use labeling system for their door products which places a number on the door frame that is referenced to the master invoice noting the doors location in the home, the swing orientation, size of the door and size of the jamb.

Craig states, "It is a much more efficient method for referencing the doors as opposed to grouping them by size, which is how invoices are typically organized. For exterior door systems that will have Southern or Western exposures, we offer a Sikkens multi-coat protective finish that provides beautiful, extremely durable, color-fast protection from the elements. We also offer small details that builders appreciate, such as the 4 x 4 square butt

ball-bearing hinges on our interior doors, and the over 400 standard styles of MDF doors available in 6' 8" or 8' sizes. For custom entryways, we provide template temporary doors that can be utilized during construction and we install the finish door as the home nears completion. We believe in giving our customers more than they expect, and we understand that is what has led to our growth and success."

While the value Hardwood Door & Bevel provides is exceptional, the quality of their product and workmanship truly opens a new door into a world of unlimited possibilities in door design. The company's showroom offers a fascinating array of styles, materials and custom designs that serve as a starting point for the builder or their client.

"Since we create the glass," notes Craig Yosin, "we are able to personalize every project. Customers can browse our showroom, our extensive catalog, and customize those products to fit their needs, tastes, and desires. Ultimately, we work together to create an entry or door package unlike any other."

Distinctive door systems usher a home

into the realm of finely crafted detail that builders, and their customers, will appreciate and enjoy for decades to come. The skilled, knowledgeable team at Hardwood Door & Bevel utilizes their talents and resources to provide door, hardware, mantel, molding and trim packages that surpass their customer's expectations time and time again.

Craig Yosin states, "The reputation we have earned and customer bases we have established over the years are our best source of future business. Drawing upon our imagination and over thirty years of experience producing custom glass and door products, for every home price point, we will continue to offer builders, architects, and their customers tremendous versatility, the highest in quality, and the best value in the marketplace."

The Builder's Journal congratulates Craig Yosin and the team at Hardwood Door & Bevel for being selected as our Inside Story feature. We wish them continued success. For more information, contact Hardwood Door & Bevel at (248) 377-9460 or visit their web site at www.hardwooddoorandbevel.com.